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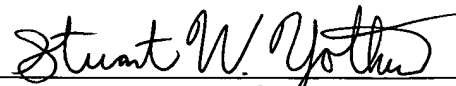
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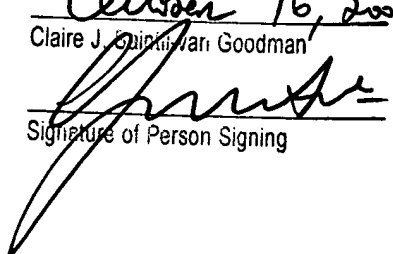
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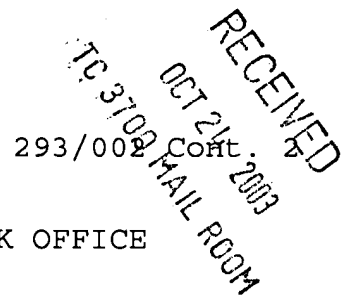
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FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the
following documents:

U.S. Patent Documents

Kaster et al.	5,366,462	11/22/1994
Hinchliffe et al.	5,833,698	11/10/1998

These documents are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-
1449 (submitted in duplicate), and copies are enclosed
herewith.

The documents listed in this Statement were first cited by a foreign patent office in an application of another from which claims were recently copied into this application (see the "Notification Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. § 1.604(b) Identifying Published Patent Applications From Which Claims Have Been Copied" which was filed concurrently with the filing of this patent application, the "Preliminary Amendment and Notification Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.604(b) Identifying a Published Patent From Which Claims Have Been Copied," filed April 7, 2003, and the "Second Preliminary Amendment and Notification Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.604(b) Identifying a Published Patent Application From Which Claims Have Been Copied," filed June 6, 2003.) The following identifies each application from which claims have been copied into this application. For each application from which claims have been copied, the following further identifies the references in the International Search Report (if published and therefore available to the under-signed agent) that are associated with the claims that have been copied. Copies of the available International Search Reports are also enclosed herewith.

WO 01/41623

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the IDS filed 4/11/02 and Supplemental IDS filed 5/16/02.

WO 01/41624

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the Second Supplemental IDS filed 11/12/02.



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WO 01/70091

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the Supplemental IDS filed 5/16/02.

WO 01/70118

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the IDS filed 4/11/02 and the Third Supplemental IDS filed 1/28/03.

WO 02/30172

Kaster et al. 5,366,462
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WO 02/47532

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the Fourth Supplemental IDS filed 6/6/03.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

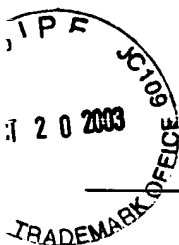
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